

THE WEATHER.

Partly cloudy weather, followed by fair Friday; stationary temperature.

NO. 640.

NEED SUCCESS BREED ENVY

Honest Competition is the Very Life and Soul of Business.

COMPLAINT MADE TO THE POLICE

The Great Providers are Warned Against Breaking the Law, on Complaint of Some One—Who Is the Rancorous Individual?—Many Merchants are Involved Through the Narrowness of Gaze.

"It seems like the spirit of meanness incarnate," said Mr. Pettit yesterday, as he stood in front of the great double doors and annex, 415-417 Seventh street. "What does?" queried the reporter.

But the merchant was too busy musing to answer. He was mentally studying some traits of human nature.

Mr. Mayer, however, was more communicative.

"We have just had made and placed in position a very handsome and expensive plate glass and bronze case. This occupies a place in the entrance of our clothing department."

"Before specifying the size of the case we carefully measured the distance that such cases projected in front of other stores. In order to be well within the customary margin allowed, and located it accordingly."

"This morning we are informed by the majority of the law in those sections that we are transgressing, complaint having been made by some one—name not given."

"We will give \$50 for the name of the man who made the complaint."

"We are really very much interested in knowing who it was."

"Here we have spent thousands upon thousands in building up the business, and pay out thousands annually in salaries, advertising and in other ventures. We believe we are progressive and public spirited; we believe in the city and its commercial future, and stand ready to spend our money in holding up our end of the city's prosperity."

"We do it cheerfully, not begrudgingly."

"Now comes some poor left over creature without a place of enterprise in his entire carcass, wishing to the law, be sure, forsooth, our show case offends him."

"It makes me sick."

Here the great crowd of customers seeking to be waited on stopped the merchant's angry tirade against petty intolerance.

THE DISTRICT PRISONERS

Attorney General's Estimate of the Cost of Maintenance.

For the Next ensuing Fiscal Year the Amount Needed Will Equal Previous Appropriations.

The Attorney General has submitted to the Commissioners his annual estimate as to the appropriation necessary for the support of District prisoners confined in institutions in other jurisdictions. Added to this is the estimate for the District jail, all based on expenses incurred in previous years, and some interesting figures are presented.

The estimate for support, maintenance and transportation of convicts transferred from the District of Columbia, to be expended under the direction of the Attorney General, is \$50,000. In explanation of how this estimate is reached, the Attorney General gives the accounts of the Albany county penitentiary and the New Jersey State prison for support of District prisoners during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1897:

Albany State Penitentiary—Quarter ending September 31, 1896, \$11,675.90; quarter ending December 31, 1896, \$11,491.30; quarter ending March 31, 1897, \$11,462.20; quarter ending June 30, 1897, \$9,642.30.

New Jersey State Prison—Quarter ending March 31, 1897, \$2,252.40; quarter ending June 30, 1897, \$1,575.90; transportation of convicts and guards from District of Columbia, \$1,842.80; total, \$42,995.80.

"The appropriation for support of convicts," the letter goes on to say, "was \$45,000, leaving a deficiency of \$2,995.80. It is seen that the cost of keeping the convicts sent from the District of Columbia to the Albany county penitentiary and the New Jersey State prison, and the expense of transportation in 1897 amounted to nearly \$48,000."

"It is believed that the expenses under this appropriation bill will be fully as much in 1898, and that \$50,000 is the least sum that should be appropriated. It has been impracticable for the department to make an estimate under this head based on the amounts paid during the present fiscal year, as the accounts of the institutions named, for the first quarter, are not of course yet rendered."

"For further information, although not specifically requested, I submit the following estimate of expenses for maintenance of the jail, District of Columbia."

"Support of prisoners, District of Columbia, for expenses for maintenance of the jail, District of Columbia, and for support of prisoners therein to be expended under the direction of the Attorney General, \$42,000. During the fiscal year 1897 the expenses were \$39,696.40; quarter ending September 30, 1896, \$9,368.40; quarter ending December 31, 1896, \$11,033.87; quarter ending March 31, 1897, \$9,612.40; quarter ending June 30, 1897, \$10,281.59; total, \$40,266.16. The appropriation for 1897 was \$45,000, leaving an apparent balance of \$4,733.84."

"The average number of prisoners confined in the jail at the present time is practically the same as one year ago and it is believed that the appropriation for 1898 should be at least \$42,000."

Fatal Touch of a Live Wire.

Montgomery, Ala., Aug. 19.—Charles Cooper, an official of the Southern Railway, was killed by a live electric wire which dropped on the sidewalk this morning. Cooper attempted to push it aside, and was knocked down and badly burned. He will die.

63 Most Popular Saturday Trip \$3.—Is that for Fort Monroe, Norfolk, Virginia Beach and Ocean View via Norfolk and Washington steamers. Secure tickets early and avoid disappointment. Tickets good to return Sunday night.

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MORE GOLD FROM KLONDIKE

A Seattle Man Returning With a Big Fortune.

GAGE-HUBBARD PARTY SAIL

Returning Passengers to Seattle Report Hosts of Miners Encamped at Seattle and Skagway—Pickax and Spade Busily at Work Opening a Trail at White Pass.

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 19.—Edward Thorpe, son of Willis Thorpe, of this city, is supposed to be on the steamer Portland en route to Seattle from St. Michael, with \$130,000 in virgin gold as the result of a few weeks' work on a claim in the Klondike. News of this sudden wealth reached this city yesterday in a letter from the young man to his father, the letter having come overland from Dawson City to Dyea, and to this city on the steamer Alki.

This is the first news that Willis Thorpe has received from his son since early in the present year, when, with his brother, he started from Juneau with a drove of cattle for the Klondike.

Three of Willis Thorpe's sons and a young man named Stewart started from Juneau for Dawson City together. The boys were to drive the cattle into the interior, sell them and come back for another drive. Willis Thorpe, in the meantime, having come to Seattle to purchase another herd. The second herd of cattle was purchased, but the boys never came back.

The letter states that the boys, on reaching the interior, got the gold fever, sold the cattle and bought claims. One of them is returning with \$130,000 in gold, and the others are remaining in the country to work their property.

The steamer Alki, which was due to arrive in this port Sunday, arrived at 3:30 o'clock yesterday morning. The lateness of the vessel's arrival was due to the fact that she stopped at several way ports.

The Alki met the Williamette, which left Seattle August 9, with 600 passengers, in Stevens' pass, about four hours' run from Juneau. Mr. Wadsworth's home is in Elka, N. Y.; Samuel Hubbard's in Oakland, Cal.; while Mr. Coe lives in Duena Park, Chicago, and is a personal friend of Mr. and Mrs. Gage. Mr. Gage is a son of Secretary Gage.

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LIBRARIAN WILSON'S MURDER.

Philadelphia Police Arrest a Suspicious-Looking Character.

Philadelphia, Aug. 19.—A man with blood splattered over his clothing, and who appeared to be very nervous, has been arrested by the police of the Haddington district, West Philadelphia, on suspicion of being connected with the murder of Major William Wilson in his library Monday night.

The suspect gave his name as John Reubing, aged twenty-one years, and said he worked on a farm. He told conflicting stories about the blood on his clothes to the police. His shoes were covered with blood, and he alleged that he had caught them second-hand two hours before he was arrested. Later he said that the blood had been splattered over his trousers and sleeve while he was killing a pigeon. The police were at a loss as to the character of the man and could not make up their minds as to whether or not he was trying to appear simple-minded or whether he was playing a sharp game on them. Reubing says his home is in New York, and that he was on the way there. He was sent to the central station for examination.

AIMED AT THE GRAND VIZIER

Bomb Exploded in the Turkish Premier's Palace.

Another at Ottoman Bank.

One Man Killed and Others Wounded—Constantinople Paralyzed With Fear—Armenian Anarchists Spread Panic Throughout the City—Several Arrested.

Constantinople, Aug. 19.—The city is almost in a panic over the news of the bomb explosions yesterday afternoon at three different points. The explosions are attributed to the Armenians.

One explosion occurred in the apartment of the grand vizier and one Turkish messenger was killed, while four others were wounded.

The authorities quickly attempted to discover the author of the outrage, but their efforts were unsuccessful. Several persons have been arrested on suspicion.

The Armenian who attempted to cause an explosion at the Ottoman Bank is named Damet. He would, in all likelihood, have succeeded in his object had it not been for the vigilance of one of the guards, who saw him as he was about to throw a parcel, which was afterward found to contain a bomb. The guard sprang toward Damet, and, seizing him, prevented him from throwing the missile.

Another unsuccessful attempt was made during the afternoon to throw a bomb outside of the central police station in Pera, known as the Galata Serai, the object apparently being to destroy the guard. The man who made the attempt was killed, and he was observed and took to his heels.

The guards started in pursuit of him, whereupon he drew a revolver and fired four ineffectual shots at them. He was finally arrested, and upon being questioned said that he was an Armenian, and that he had been for some time in the city.

These incidents caused a temporary panic throughout the city, it being feared that there was going to be a renewal of the recent disorders. The shopkeepers hurriedly closed their places of business, barring and barricading them to guard against assault.

The infantry and cavalry patrols were immediately increased, and a military cordon surrounded Constantinople proper. Abject terror prevails in the Sultan's palace. The police and guards there are taking extraordinary precautions, which have given color to a rumor that the bomb throwing is part of a widespread plot.

The police are reticent as to the reason for summoning the palace guard and closing all the doors and gates of the city, but it is rumored that a similar outrage was attempted within the palace limits and that the approaches were barred to prevent the exit of the would-be assassin.

LAUNCHING OF THE ARGONAUT.

Submarine Craft to Seek for Treasure in the Sea.

Baltimore, Aug. 19.—A queer-looking boat, mounted on wheels, and without outwardly visible machinery, was launched at noon today at the yards of the Columbian Iron Works. She was christened the Argonaut.

The singular looking craft was built on plans designed by Simon Lake, and will be used, if it proves a success, in searching for and wrecking from the sea hidden treasures in wrecks and ships and in removing obstructions to navigation. The boat will be given a trial in the Chesapeake Bay, and she will be taken to the New Jersey coast off Asbury Park to search for the rich treasure of the New Era, which was wrecked in 1882.

The arrangements for submerging the vessel are similar to those of the Government submarine torpedo boats.

JACKSON REMANDED TO JAIL.

Coroner's Jury Hold Him Responsible for Edward Wedge's Death.

An inquest, conducted by Justice James Harris, was held yesterday afternoon at Upper Marlboro, Md., over the body of Edward Wedge, the colored man who was shot and killed by Moses Jackson, the Washington jockey, on Tuesday evening.

The jury, of which George T. Harris was foreman, rendered a verdict that Wedge came to his death by a pistol in the hands of Moses Jackson, alias Moses Harris. The accused man was remanded to jail to await the action of the grand jury. The body of the deceased was removed to the farm of Mr. G. Selwyn Rascier, where he was employed. The funeral will be held from the farm this afternoon.

FREDERICK R. COUDERT ILL.

Distinguished Jurist in a Dangerous Condition at Bar Harbor.

New York, Aug. 19.—Frederick R. Coudert, the famous lawyer, is dangerously ill from nervous prostration at his summer cottage in Bar Harbor, Me. Mr. Coudert was taken ill four weeks ago when he collapsed in his office.

At about the same time his brother, Charles Coudert, died.

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ASKS POPE LEO TO AID HER

Julia Ward Howe Appeals for Senorita Cisneros.

A LETTER TO HIS HOLINESS

Earnest Prayer That the Head of the Catholic Church Intervene and Induce the Powers of Spain Not to Allow the Young Woman to Be Exiled in a Penal Colony.

New York, Aug. 19.—Mrs. Julia Ward Howe has written the following letter to the Pope in behalf of Senorita Cisneros, who is in danger of being sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment in Ceuta by the government of Spain:

To His Holiness Pope Leo XIII.: Most Holy Father, I beg of you, as the head of the Catholic Church, to intervene in behalf of the young lady of Ceuta, one of whose nearest relatives is concerned in the present case, which she has been arrested, tried by court-martial, and is in danger of suffering a sentence more cruel than death—that of twenty years' exile and imprisonment in the



Julia Ward Howe.

Spanish penal colony of Ceuta, in Africa, where no woman has ever before been sent, and where, besides enduring every hardship and indignity, she would have for her companions the worst criminals and convicts. We implore you, Holy Father, to induce the action of the Pope, which would induce the Spanish government to abstain from this act of military vengeance, which would greatly discredit in the eyes of the civilized world.

We devoutly hope that your wisdom will see to it that this word, and to make not us alone, but all humanity, your debtors. JULIA WARD HOWE.

GEN. LEE MAKES AN APPEAL.

Writes to Weyler in Behalf of Evangelina Cossio Cisneros.

New York, Aug. 19.—The Herald this morning publishes the following dispatch from Havana:

The story published to the effect that Evangelina Cossio Cisneros, a Cuban girl, has been sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment in Ceuta, is premature. It is made Gen. Weyler, in whose hands the whole case rests, highly indignant and prejudiced him against her.

The man, Beris, who attempted to betray the girl, and who, because she refused his advances, caused her imprisonment, is a nephew of the present prime minister of Spain, and every effort is being made to hush up the matter. The Spanish method of heading up an affair of this kind is to insure damaging witness in prison cells. But Spain is beginning to realize that there is such a thing as public opinion, if not in her own realm, at least abroad, and the plucky balls of the tale of this girl might have been released had it not been for the unfortunate publication in a New York newspaper, which stirred up Spanish obstinacy.

Gen. Weyler would probably have ordered her release, but now that he is put in the position of being forced to do it, he may insist upon her being sentenced.

The facts of the case are these: Nearly two weeks ago the fiscal or public prosecutor in Cuba asked the supreme tribunal in Spain to sentence Senorita Cisneros to twenty years' penal servitude. The tribunal hesitated, and referred the matter to Gen. Weyler. Gen. Weyler hesitates even yet.

Beris, who is the military commander of the Isle of Pines, is now in Havana, and is doing his utmost to free himself from the charge of having betrayed the girl. He has been made to Spain, and Gen. Weyler, as I said before, hesitates as to whom he shall sacrifice.

I stated the case to Consul General Lee yesterday. That he should have acted in this manner is a mystery. He has not even penned a personal letter to the Captain General, pleading for the young woman, not because she was pretty, but because she was a woman. He said that if Gen. Weyler would pardon her he would undertake to find her a husband in the United States, and would use his influence to obtain for her a position there. When I interviewed Gen. Lee yesterday he thumped the table with his fist and said:

"If that young girl is liberated I will do anything in the world to protect her from the sharks that will swallow her, even at the price of my own life."

STARVED HERSELF TO DEATH.

Woman Fasted Fifty-eight Days Because of a Domestic Quarrel.

Middleboro, Tenn., Aug. 19.—Lena Calloway, of Claiborne county, Tenn., died this morning from the effects of a fifty-eight day fast. She had starved herself to death. She quarreled with her husband and they separated, and she vowed that she would fast until he returned to her. Efforts of friends and relatives to force her to eat were of no avail.

Death of Col. Elmer Otis, U. S. A.

The death of Col. Elmer Otis, U. S. A., retired, took place yesterday at Los Angeles, Cal., of diabetes. He was appointed to West Point from Ohio in 1849, and retired six years ago, while commanding the Eighth Cavalry.

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SUGAR'S ASCENDING SCALE

Forty Points Above Figures During Tariff Discussion.

DIVIDEND WILL BE HEAVY

Jump This Morning to the Half-Century Mark Excited Brokers and Speculators in All Directions. Predictions That the Stock Will Go Still Higher.

The common stock of the sugar trust today reached the half century mark and established a new record. Predictions are thick that this figure will be insignificant before the dividend is declared on the stock next month. Sugar is now forty points above its figure during the spring, before the rise on tariff prospects began. The stock has increased in value on account of this rise \$15,000,000.

There have been rumors of extraordinary dividends in sugar and of an increase in the regular dividend from 12 to 16 per cent. Estimates of the great advantage the big sugar bill gives the trust over any previous law are frequently and freely made. Nobody now doubts that the big sugar bill gives the trust millions of dollars annually that it doesn't deserve.

With all these forces and with the seeming determination of the insiders of the trust to continue buying sugar stock nothing has so far been able to stop its upward march. No matter how the remainder of the market looks and acts sugar has been strong all the time.

This condition of things has filled the speculative public with a fever of desire to get in on margins. There was excitement in every broker's office this morning at about 11 o'clock, when sugar struck 150. This was augmented greatly by the fact that wheat was jumping up wildly, and struck 89 3/4 at almost the same time.

There were after this violent fluctuations in both sugar and wheat. All possible theories were held and expressed as to the next decided move of the trust stock and the cereal, both being manipulated by strong professional speculators.

At a late hour this afternoon Chicago September wheat was said to be on its way toward 100, and sugar toward 160.

THIS BULL SAW THE TOWN

Came From the Rural Precincts and Started on a Spree.